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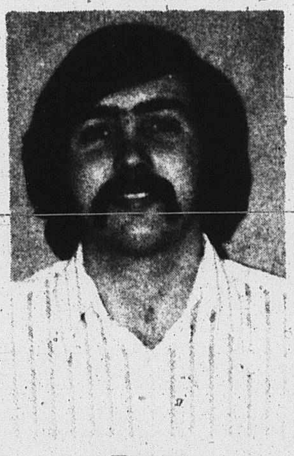
Senate Re-establishes Awards; Discuss Conduct And Library

Re-establishment of the Professor of the Year Award and the institution of a Wooden Cask Award were among new business at the Jan. 23 Senate meeting.

The Professor of the Year Award would be open to faculty only as it is essentially academically oriented. Candidates will be chosen by students from a list of nominees prepared by the SA academic affairs board for which criteria will include: a) participation in CORE, as discussion leaders, organizers, lecturers; b) expertise and clarity of a professor in his given field; c) accessibility to students for academic counseling; d) participation in extra-curricular academic affairs (seminars on campus, etc.). The award will consist of a small statuette.

College community service will be emphasized when awarding the Wooden Cask Award. The award is open to faculty, staff and administrators of the college and will be based upon: a) competence in one's position as it benefits Saint Joe's; b) non-academic rapport with students, interest in students, student organizations and visible presence on campus; and c) promotion of the college beyond the college campus (acting in town functions in the name of the college, etc.). Candidates will be nominated and the recipient elected by the Senate. The award will consist of a wooden cask of booze, symbolizing a bringing of good spirits into the college community.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"The SA academic affairs board feels that the recognition by students of people who are invaluable to Saint Joe's is a valuable, positive step toward building and reinforcing a sense of community in the college,"
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Letter Calls For Quick Responses

Upon endorsement by the Senate at their Jan. 23 meeting, a letter was sent to students, faculty and administrators requesting explanations from the administration of various problems which exist on campus.

The letter states: "We take personal offense at: 1) the deplorable living conditions in the majority of dorms, particularly in Justin and Noll; a) lack of heat in rooms with little (and ineffective) action taken, b) lack of cleanliness in restroom facilities, specifically in sinks and showers, c) lack of adequate lounge furniture in quantity and quality, d) lack of overall adequate maintenance services, specifically plumbing; 2) the high price of books, the high turnover rate of editions by faculty and the low resale value of books returned to the bookstore; 3) the terrible condition of the roads, particularly by Justin and Drexel.

The Senate asks that responses to all the problems cited above be made by Tuesday, Feb. 6.

The letter adds that "the above problems are those most affecting community life from a student viewpoint. They should therefore come under the interest of the ad hoc committee on community life, established as a result of the Jan. 17 faculty meeting."

One day after receipt of the letter, Fr. Paul White, college executive vice-president and overseer of dorm lounge furnishings, responded with a
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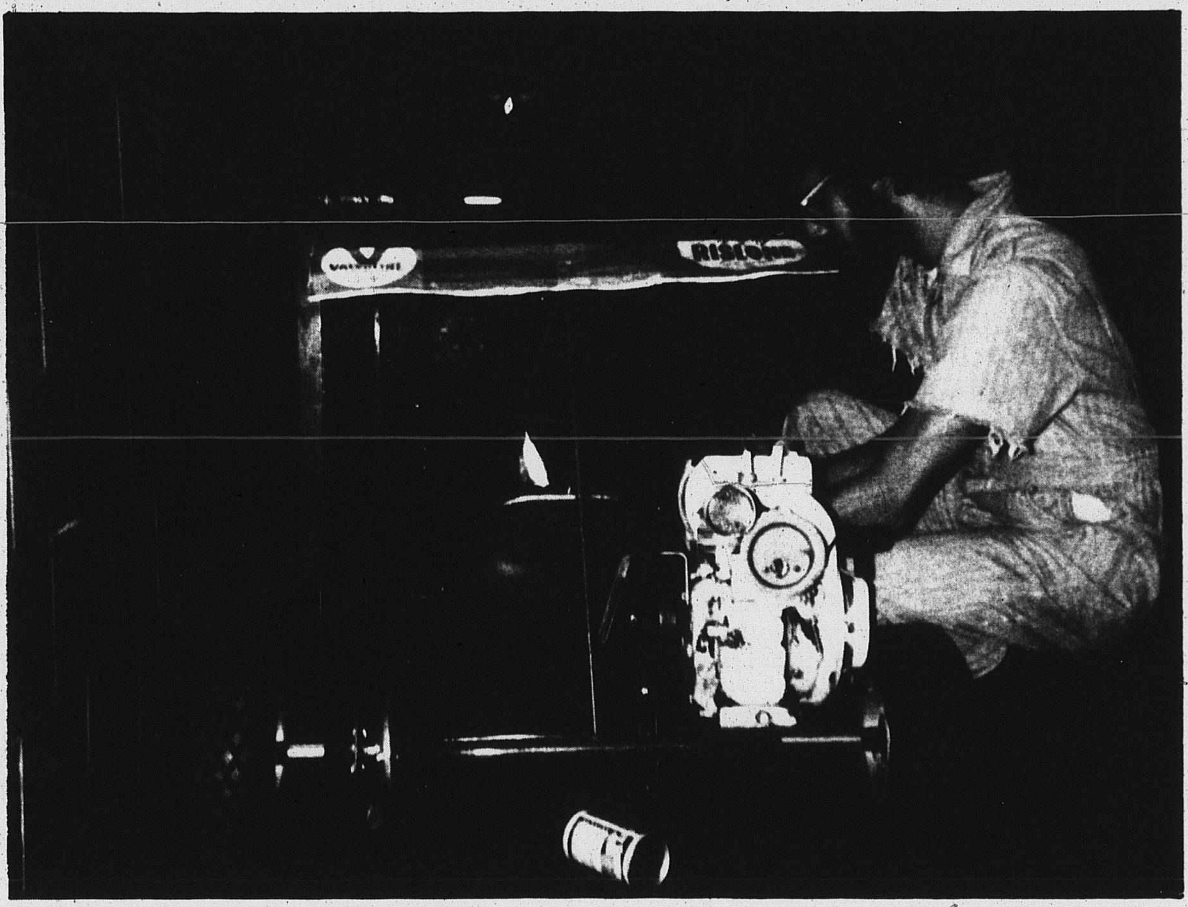
Jim Giannopoulus (soph.-WSF.) "gets his cart in gear" as he works enthusiastically on West Seifert's dorm cart in anticipation of the great race—Little 500, Apr. 14.

Third Annual

Plans Being Formulated For 'Little 500', Apr. 14

Plans are being formulated for the third annual motorized Little 500, according to Dan Bolnius (sr.-Noll), chairman of this year's Little 500 committee.

Bolnius

"We are currently accepting entries for this year's race. Mar. 9 is the deadline for all entries," says Bolnius. "We're not planning to limit the starting field but it will be necessary that all carts meet the safety specifications in the rules."

Rules for this year's race have been modified in order to generate more competition. Changes include:

1.) Only one engine per cart will be allowed throughout the race.
2.) Stock engine parts may be changed but the original block must remain on the cart.
3.) There will be no refueling of carts outside the pit areas.
4.) Each entry must provide one track marshal.
5.) Tecumseh, Briggs, Stratton and Clinton engines will be the only engines allowed for use in the race.

Motors will be limited to three-horsepower, four-cycle, completely stock and the go-cart frames will retain last year's specifications.

"The track will remain essentially the same," says Bolnius, "except that Babcock Construction Company of Rensselaer has agreed to pave the turns this year. This should insure a safer track and produce faster time results."

The Veterans Club and the freshman class have agreed to undertake all track preparations this year.

The race will last for four hours and the cart that chalks up the most laps will be the winner. Awards will include: a gold helmet (donated by Pyroil Company, LaCrosse, Wis.) and $500 first place, $200 second, $100
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Senate, Buck Express Opposite Views Toward Library Theft

Despite the fact that much discussion ensued over library theft at the last Senate meeting, Jan. 23, James Buck, head librarian, is unaware of any immediate problems.

"I don't think there is any plot or large number of incidences of theft," says Buck, "because we don't have those kind of students here."

Buck explains that it was necessary last year to install turnstiles in order to facilitate better traffic and book control plus reduce theft. Buck realizes that turnstiles are not the final answer to the problem, yet he states, "we hope it makes people more aware of our problems."

A type of search and seizure could also be utilized in the library with added staff members, but Buck does not see it necessary to risk harassment of students when overall conditions aren't that bad.

The exact number of missing books is uncertain. A current inventory is now being performed, but will not have any immediate effects due to lack of past records. Buck estimates the loss at 1600 volumes.

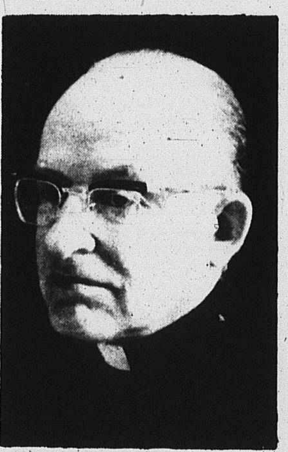
Future projects include weeding and adding to the library book collection to eliminate goods which are no longer necessary. The microfilming of periodicals will secure future reference to popular magazines which are often used. This will aid the staff to better utilize the limited physical facilities available in the 36-year-old library. Buck hopes for future modernization of the library's physical appearance in study and book stacking areas.

"I really believe there is a conscious effort among the students to keep theft down," Buck concludes.

Are High Grades Easily Obtainable At SJC?

Are high grades easily obtainable here at Saint Joseph's College?

It appears as though the answer to this question is yes! "Grades are rising everywhere across the nation," according to Fr. Charles Robbins, college registrar, "and this includes Saint Joe's."


Robbins

Robbins attributes the national trend to a shift in the nature of college courses conducted. "Previously, hard-discipline courses consisted of lectures, whereas today emphasis seems to be placed on encounter courses where grading relies heavily upon a student's participation in discussion of opinions. Students are graded on their participation rather than on what they know."

Locally, Robbins feels that the introduction of the CORE program in 1969 played a major role in the increasingly high grades. "The introduction of the CORE program represented the trend towards encounter courses," says Robbins. "While not currently out of line with grades, CORE has created an atmosphere for rising grades."

Other reasons for higher grades here at Saint Joe's are the pass/not pass and withdrawal options which enable students to eliminate failures altogether, Robbins believes.

Robbins points out that grades at Saint Joe's have been rising steadily since 1963 with the exception of 1969 when grades rose dramatically. He adds that grades have been rising ever since. "We need to tighten up," says Robbins, "but to change suddenly back to the grade level of 1963 would be revolutionary and would result in a lot of unhappy people.
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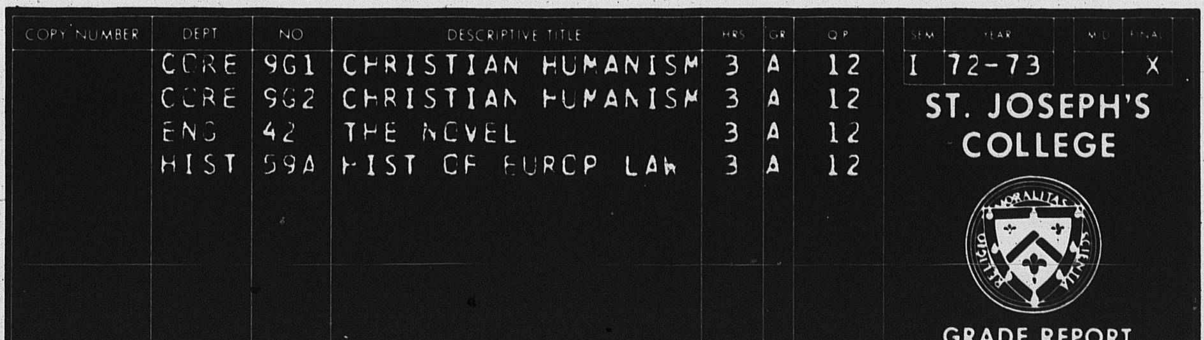

Unity Indeed

"We at Saint Joseph's tend to flatter ourselves by boasting of a 'togetherness' attitude which prevails on this campus. . . .(a) challenge to strengthen the bonds of this unity could prove the superficiality of that 'togetherness' if we let it become arrested by apathy."

So read an editorial which appeared in the Jan. 19 issue of STUFF, calling for a commitment by all of us to humanize the environs of this campus. Some of us read the editorial and laughed at its corniness, others called it impossible and extremely idealistic and still others rejected it as rhethorical nonsense. Perhaps so, but the unity of which we boast was never more obviously dramatized than at 2 a.m., Sunday, Feb. 4, when fire destroyed the administration building. Sure, students helped salvage records and other things from the blazing building, but more importantly, a genuine concern for faculty and administrators' personal losses dominated nearly everyone's thoughts. We then turned our thoughts to helping one another in any way we could; for some it meant giving up a week of leisure following the fire in order to relocate offices, sort files or reorganize the school year. For those of us who went home it meant hunting for class notes or syllabuses which would aid profs in conducting classes.

A student said, while watching the fire, "you never really know how much you love this place until something like this happens." A bit melodramatic perhaps, but it reflected well the feelings of most of us; a personal loss indeed.

It can be argued that in times of crisis or tragedy it is a natural reaction to sympathize and unify. Again this may be the case but a recent fire at Ball State University found members of their student body chanting "burn baby burn"; poor evidence for unity and certainly lacking sympathy.

While it would be impossible to list all of the outsiders to whom we should be grateful as a community, it would be a cruel oversight if we failed to recognize and thank the fire departments of Rensselaer, Francesville and Remington, whose men sacrificed many hours battling the blaze. Their efforts were relentless and dedication boundless and they warrant the praise, admiration and appreciation of us all.

Fine Performance

The fine and colorful performance of LADO, a Yugoslav National Dance and Folk Ensemble, here Tuesday night was well received and warrants special recognition. They were a tremendous success.

Credit and a thank you are in order to Fr. Lawrence Heiman, director of the Fine Art Series, whose efforts made it possible for such a high-caliber, cultural ensemble to appear here at Saint Joe's.

Easy Grades?...

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Grades, however, do not reflect an increase in the quality of students as I don't feel we've had much change in quality over the last four years."

Elimination of the withdrawal option would not make that much difference, according to Robbins, because there would still be a rise due to the laxity of teachers when grading. "The tendency to grade more easily is part of the national trend due to a general lack of demand from hard disciplines," he explains.

Robbins feels that the trend to grade more easily is especially prevalent among younger professors "because they are themselves a product of this change in philosophy."

A motion recently placed before the Academic Cabinet sought to re-define the meaning of grades as follows:

A—Above average
B—Average
C—Below average
D—Very poor

The motion went on to read, "The computer printout for the past semester makes the above interpretation of grading policies here much more realistic than the statement in the present catalogue." The scholastic index for the first semester was 2.76 (B-).

An average of 2.40 would be more realistic, according to Robbins, who feels that revising grading policies is unnecessary. "If it becomes impossible to bring the grades down then perhaps re-defining grades is the only way. If we, however, talk about it enough in the Cabinet and among the faculty, I think we'll see a gradual shift back to lower grades."

Senate ....

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says James Brun (sr.-Ben.), chairman of the academic affairs board. "Moreover, it provides the students with a chance to openly acknowledge and express gratitude to those individuals among the faculty, staff and administration who have worked long and hard at the often thankless tasks which are above and beyond their duties as teachers or administrators, and which are prompted only by their wish to make Saint Joe's a better and greater living and learning experience for the students."

Other business included the endorsement of a letter from Tim Milligan (Soph.-Gal.) and John Petrila (Sr.-Drx.), SA president, to the Board of Trustees, Administration, faculty and student body requesting explanations concerning various conditions on campus. The letter cites maintenance problems in dorms, bookstore pricing policies and allocation of parking fines and car registration fees as areas which require explanation. A deadline of Feb. 6 was attached for these explanations.

Discussions of library theft and the effectiveness of the college conduct board resulted in the formation of two ad hoc committees to study these two areas and report back at the next Senate meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 6.

Faculty Praised

Academics Impress Dean Garrity

Dr. Robert J. Garrity has now completed his first semester as Saint Joseph's Vice-President for Academic Affairs, and the experience has left him with several impressions of Collegeville as an academic community.

One of his major joys has been working with a faculty whose members continually strive for improvement in Saint Joseph's already well-regarded curriculum.

"Cooperative attitude and willingness to help study ways of strengthening the college's programs are characteristics of many of the faculty members," he reports. "The reason I stress the faculty is my conviction that a faculty makes or breaks an institution of higher learning.

GARRITY

Having spent 17 of the past 18 years as a classroom teacher, I know that although administrative staffs and the student body have strong influence upon the tone of a college, in the long run it is the faculty that will most predominately make a college what it is."

The central feature of Saint Joseph's academic profile—the Core curriculum—also has made a strong and favorable impression on Dr. Garrity. "Even before arriving at Saint Joseph's, I was impressed with the concept of Core," he explains. "At the college where I worked before coming here, I was deeply involved in changing the general education requirements to interdisciplinary work. Although such an approach is challenging to the faculty members and awesome to the students, the advantages strongly overbalance the disadvantages.

"The fact that Saint Joseph's faculty had voted to initiate an interdisciplinary Core curriculum said much to me about its versatility and willingness to innovate for the sake of solid academic improvement."

Beyond the curriculum, Dr. Garrity finds "there is a friendliness and warmth among the faculty and students. I find it rather easy to talk things over with most of the people on campus."

Little 500 . . .

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third, $50 fourth and $25 fifth. Products of companies and trophies will be awarded.

"We are currently way ahead of ourselves," says Bolnius. "Ben Sponseller (jr.-Gas.), Sue Gavin (soph.-Jus.) and I have sent out 138 letters to which we have already received 30 replies. It looks as if it will be another great race." Pete Klocek (sr.-Gal.) is this year's course marshal and Tom Quade (sr.-Noll) will direct scoring. Entry blanks and rules are available upon request from Bolnius, Noll 119.

Letter Calls For ....

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letter explaining problems with ordering furniture and informing the Senate that furniture has been ordered for several lounges.

At a meeting with Fr. Paul Wellman, vice-president for financial affairs, Wednesday, Jan. 31, several representatives from Noll hall received explanations of some of the problems with regards to maintenance and were promised a letter soon which will contain dates for which repairs can be expected to be completed.

John Petrila, SA president and co-author of the Senate letter, said after the meeting with Wellman, "I am glad that Noll hall is going to have something in writing telling them what will be repaired and when it will be done. Wellman was very cooperative; I think he is plagued by misinformation from the people under him. Students are, however, getting very skeptical of being told to use channels. Take Noll for example: it has taken six months to get this type of assurance that they will have adequate heat and water. If this situation arises in the future with another dorm, how can students be expected to maintain the type of patience shown by Noll over this entire year?"

Petrila feels it is going to be difficult to tell students to go to a committee. "They've been to the committees and nothing has happened. This must be resolved if frustration is not to be the result. In the future, it must not be necessary to have to spend six months trying to get the heat fixed properly."

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Cagers Drop 9th To IC, 68-59, After Loss To Aces, Valpo Win

After playing a close first half, largely the result of numerous rebounds and a 50 percent field goal average, Saint Joe's cagers suffered their ninth defeat of the season Wednesday in Indianapolis to Indiana Collegiate Conference opponent Indiana Central, 68-59. The Saints are now 3-3 in conference competition and 9-9 overall.

Trailing by four at the half, 35-31, SJC came out ice cold in stanza two and hit just 12 of 34 shots from the field and an anemic four of nine from the charity stripe as the hosts won going away. The Saints enjoyed their last lead at 52-50. Greyhound Daryl Warren laid one up with 7:30 remaining to give IC a 54-52 lead and the impetus for the victory.

Highlights for the Pumas included a 16-point effort by Jim Thordsen, 15 by Dave Huneryager and 12 by Mark Muterspaw. Kyle Wiggs grabbed 17 caroms, 13 in the first half.

Much of the Valpo story here Jan. 24 was center Thordsen, who pumped 27 points past Valparaiso pivot man John Wolfenberg, though the lanky Puma sophomore is five inches shorter and 30 pounds lighter than the Valpo center. Thordsen also blocked seven shots and grabbed 13 rebounds in the Saints' 85-77 ICC win.

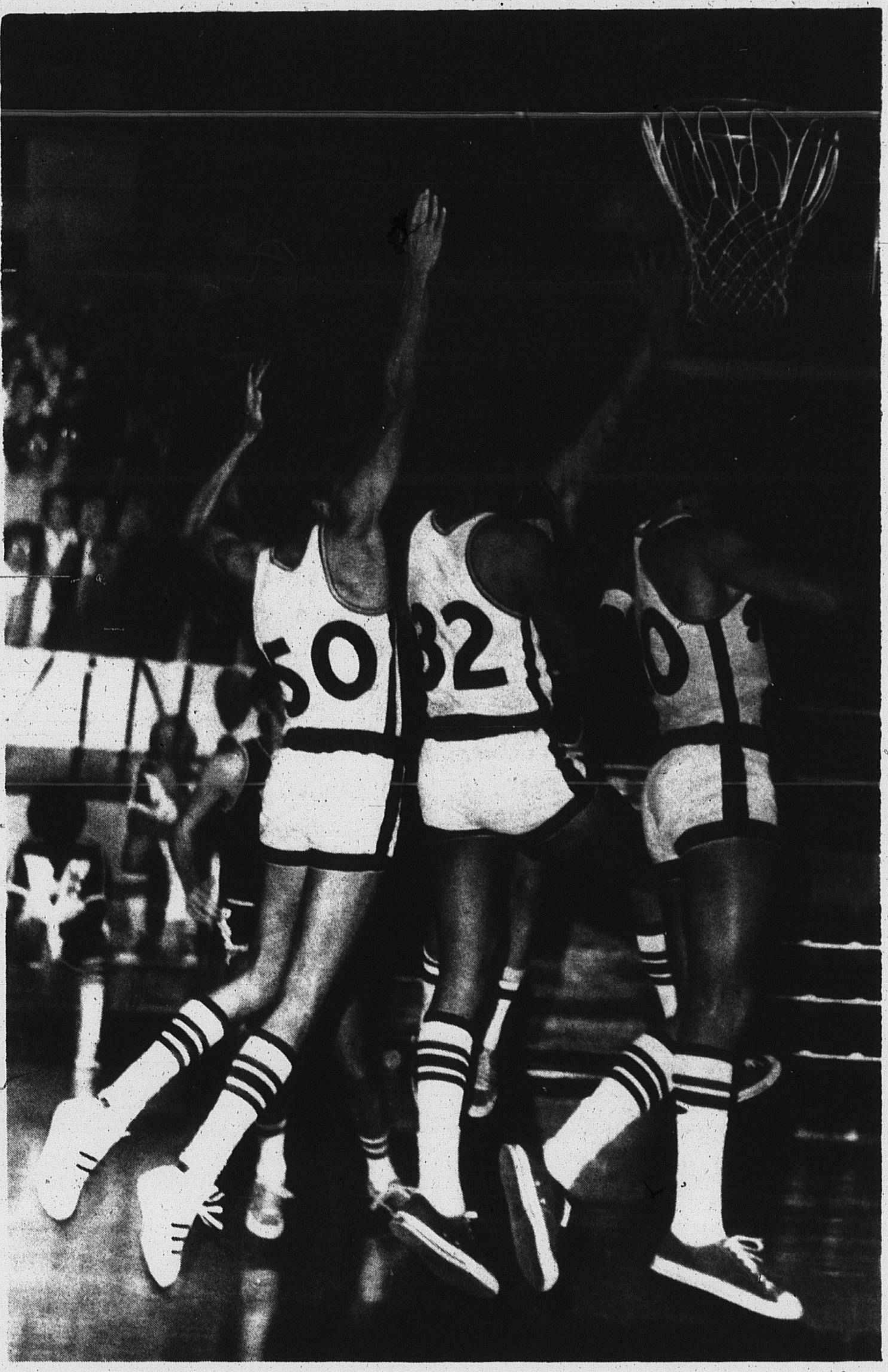
SJC jumped off to an early 11-2 lead before the Crusaders came back to tie it at 32 apiece with 3:29 left in stanza one. SJC led 42-36 at the start of the second frame, but the contest was tied at 44, 46 and 48 before the Saints moved in front to stay.

Joining Thordsen in double figures were Wiggs (19), Huneryager (13), and Muterspaw and Pete Santana (ten).

The Pumas ran into misfortune against conference opponent Evansville Jan. 27 as they failed to hold off a desperation rally by the Purple Aces and went down to a 91-86 overtime defeat.

Up 51-41 with four minutes gone in the second half, the Saints held the lead 78-72 with four minutes remaining in the game. Thordsen then fouled out with 44 seconds left, Evansville followed with two clutch free throws and then tied the contest 80-80 at the end of regulation time. Coming out hot in the overtime frame, Evansville took advantage of the absence of Huneryager and hit three clutch baskets to seal the victory.

Huneryager rippled the nylon for 23 markers, high for SJC. Vonderhaar added 20, Muterspaw canned 15 and Santana also contributed seven assists, seven rebounds and one blocked shot.



Jim Thordsen (50) and Pete Santana (32) imitate Kyle Wiggs (20) as he blocks a Valpo layup attempt in the Pumas' 85-77 ICC win here Jan. 24.

Jayvees Lose To IC, 74-60

As disastrous as it may sound, Saint Joe's junior varsity cagers plummeted to their eighth straight defeat of the season Wednesday by a 74-60 score to Indiana Central College of Indianapolis. The yearlings have yet to win a game this season.

Down 34-26 at the half, SJC scored the first five points of the second frame before IC toughened their defense and stifled the rally. Puma Sam Facen took game scoring honors with 20 points and Dan Kostrzewa added 15. Jim Owens and Jeff Perkins shared the rebound lead with 12 apiece.

The Cubs lost a shootout to Valparaiso here Jan. 24, 82-71, after leading 44-26 at intermission.

Crusader free throws told the story of the game as they canned 24 of 31, 11 more than the Pumas. Standouts for SJC included Sam Facen, who bagged 18 points and 18 rebounds, Jim Owens and Rick Badovinich, who netted 16 apiece, and George Mills, who added 12. Owens also had 13 rebounds. The Saints won the battle of the boards, 48-42.

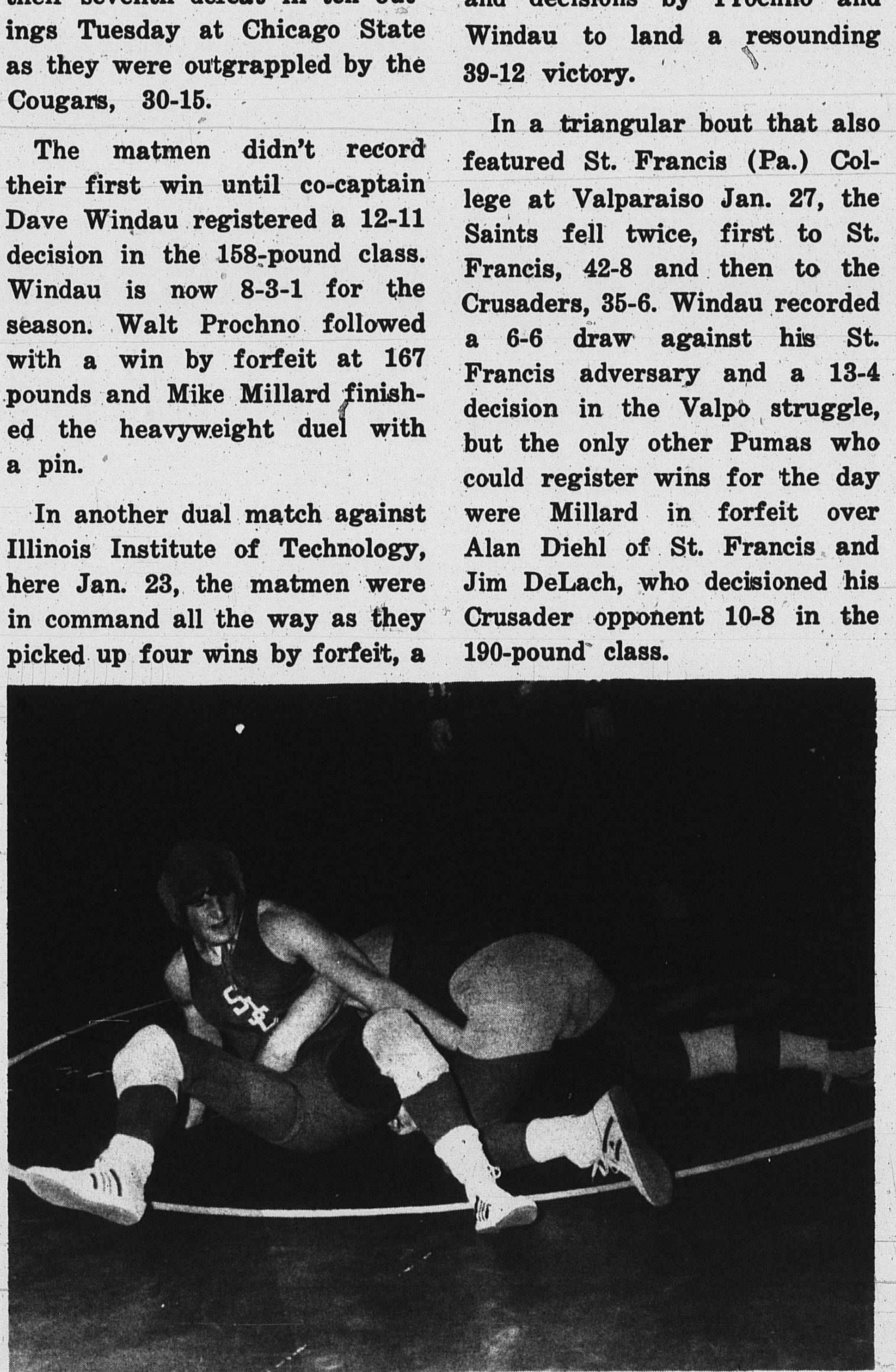
Wrestlers Stand 3-7 After Losing To VU, Chicago State

Saint Joe's wrestlers absorbed their seventh defeat in ten outings Tuesday at Chicago State as they were outgrappled by the Cougars, 30-15.

The matmen didn't record their first win until co-captain Dave Windau registered a 12-11 decision in the 158-pound class. Windau is now 8-3-1 for the season. Walt Prochno followed with a win by forfeit at 167 pounds and Mike Millard finished the heavyweight duel with a pin.

In another dual match against Illinois Institute of Technology, here Jan. 23, the matmen were in command all the way as they picked up four wins by forfeit, a pin by Mike Noel at 177 pounds and decisions by Prochno and Windau to land a resounding 39-12 victory.

In a triangular bout that also featured St. Francis (Pa.) College at Valparaiso Jan. 27, the Saints fell twice, first to St. Francis, 42-8 and then to the Crusaders, 35-6. Windau recorded a 6-6 draw against his St. Francis adversary and a 13-4 decision in the Valpo struggle, but the only other Pumas who could register wins for the day were Millard in forfeit over Alan Diehl of St. Francis and Jim DeLach, who decisioned his Crusader opponent 10-8 in the 190-pound class.



Determined Puma grappler Dick Mitchell sits down to grasp the situation during the heat of a wrestling match. The opponent was IIT and the matmen sent them home with a 39-12 thumping here Jan. 23.

Tournaments Highlight Intramural Calendar

By STEVE MC CORMICK

The intramural championship basketball tournament began last Monday night with almost all of the league's 40 teams vying for the crown. The final standings for regular season play which ended Jan. 26 are: in division A of the Monday-Wednesday series, West Seifert's Centerfolds clinched first place with an 8-0 record, follwed by East Seifert (6-2), Gaspar Cream (6-2), Bennett Second (5-2) and Merlini Nameless (5-2) tied for fifth. In division B, the Merlini Celtics finished first with a 7-1 record, followed by East Seifert Rat Pack (6-1) and the Drexel Moes (6-1). The Halas Beaver Patrol grabbed fourth place with a 3-5 slate.

In the Tuesday - Thursday league, division A was led by the Gallagher Eunuchs, who were 8-0. The Bennett Bearcats placed second with a 7-1 slate, with the Halas Leaguers (6-1) and West Seifert Brotherhood (6-2) securing the third and fourth spots, respectively.

In division B, the East Seifert Twine Ticklers paced their league with a 7-0 record, followed by the second-place Halas Scrubs (6-2). The Halas Penthouse Putangs, Gaspar Crumbs, and Drexel FYCA were tied for the third spot with 5-3 marks.

The first rounds of last week's championship matches were based on single eliminations, leaving 16 teams to participate in this week's second round, which starts tonight. All games for the final three weeks of the tournament will be played under double-elimination procedure. Highly favored to capture the IM crown are the West Seifert Centerfolds, the Gallagher Eunuchs, the East Seifert Twine Ticklers, the East Seifert Rat Pack, and the Bennett Bearcats.

IM director Steve Petitt announced last week there will be two All-Star basketball games next month against Saint Joseph's Calumet College. The IM all-star team will consist of 12 members and three reserves, each chosen from a field of 80 nominees. Two members from each of the IM's 40 teams will first be selected by their own teammates, and then 15 all-stars will be selected from these 80 by the voting of all IM members.

The first game is scheduled away Mar. 24, with the second contest to be played here Mar. 31.

Petitt also announced the start of IM swimming, which will begin Feb. 12 at Rensselaer Central High School. Events will include three individual freestyle

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PUMA PRINTS

By GREG SIERMINSKI and JIM GAMBAIANI

Since last semester there have been a couple of changes in the basketball scene, mainly in John Weinert's personnel. He's rearranged his starting lineup to include Kyle Wiggs and Pete Santana and it appears as if these moves have strengthened the overall team effort.

Although Wiggs and Santana are freshmen, they have performed with the maturity of upperclassmen. They still make mistakes but learn from them and try to overcome them through hustle and determination. These last two elements are also characteristic of the entire team.

Speaking of the team, it looks like their final ICC position will be determined by their upcoming road performances. As this article went to print, the Pumas were still faced with the likes of Valparaiso, Butler, and Wabash in road encounters. These three games make up the bulk of the remaining schedule. So far this year, Saint Joe has won only once away from home. It's true that most of these losses have been against the "biggies," but it's still depressing to look at a 1-7 road record. If the Pumas are to remain contenders in the ICC, this record must quickly be turned around.

We have a hunch that the last two games of the season will play a big part in the Pumas' success or failure in the conference. These final outings are both on foreign courts against Butler and Wabash. Luckily, both locations are readily accessible to Puma fans. This "sixth man" in the form of student support may provide the necessary impetus to push the Pumas over the hill of success in the conference race.

When talking about these road games, it's easy to forget that the Pumas still face stiff competition at home. Victories must come over Wabash, Evansville, and DePauw; the latter two have beaten SJC earlier this season. It's impossible to predict anything at this junction, for there are numerous aspects of the race that point to a "fight to the finish" for an ICC champion.

A quick note before ending. Visitors to the gym these days had best beware of flying baseballs. Coach George Post's baseball squad has embarked on a three-week, pre-season program in anticipation of practice, starting Feb. 18. All this hard work is pointed toward the Mar. 21 opener at Northern Kentucky State.

Study Abroad Cures Junior Year Blahs

By DAN MURRAY

While most students are going through their junior year blahs, Mary C. Lawdensky, a pretty co-ed from Northlake, Ill., spent part of her junior year motoring from the Mediterranean to the Thames. In a five-month stay in Europe, she learned to distinguish the bull fight from a bull fighter, has heard of the resistance from a leader of the underground, and studied poetic expression in Spanish from one of Spain's leading writers.

The 20-year-old junior who has visited Spain twice, was determined to return for a year of study. She contacted many schools with junior-year-abroad programs and finally chose Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., "because of its fine reputation and its excellent program." Through Georgetown she spent five months studying at the University of Madrid in central Spain. She lived with a widow and her daughter in the heart of Madrid, a 40-minute "Metro" ride from the University.

Mary learned to live comfortably in Spanish style, without heat or hot water, and eating "everything from soup to dessert cooked in olive oil." She was critical, however, of the Spanish political system and government, and fears our government is "leaning to theirs, facism."

Mary, who's double major is Spanish and political science, saw first hand the repressive tactics of the Spanish police, the hated "los grises," the greys. "The greys," armed with machine guns, would use their horses to kick students, spray ink from the ink wagons on students and later round up those who were stained, and would photograph crowds from helicopters. She found little chance for political expression and fears that after President Franco's death, a military take-over will ensue.

The government repression falls on other forms of Spanish life, including a harsh system of censorship. "This," she says, "causes the Spanish to be obsessed with sex." Mary found this attitude hard to cope with and in some situations unpleasant.

On the whole, however, Mary enjoyed her stay in Spain although she concedes, "it would have been difficult without the other American students." The Georgetown program included about 70 students in all as well as meeting others from Scotland and England. Sharing a common experience, the students became close friends and together had a lot of fun tasting the local wines, the world-famous Anice, and in general experiencing all local customs.

The Puma co-ed did, however, carry a heavy class load of 17 hours, which on some days kept her busy from 8:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Her most interesting classes were ones she had at the Prado Museum, and another taught by Dr. Bousono, a leading Spanish writer. Least interesting were Spanish grammar and Spanish history. All her courses were taught in Spanish and that, combined with living in a Spanish home, made speaking English a pleasant diversion.

One criticism of the University was their attitude towards organization. There was none. Mary found this to be typical of the Spanish in general. When she received permission to leave the University early, she had to wait until just before leaving to take her finals and even then, some were not announced until given.

And her new acquaintances did celebrate the American holidays of Thanksgiving and Halloween. An American serviceman stationed in Spain secured a turkey for Thanksgiving, and the apartment complex he lived in, which was predominantly occupied by Americans, served as the neighborhood covered by these trick-or-treaters.

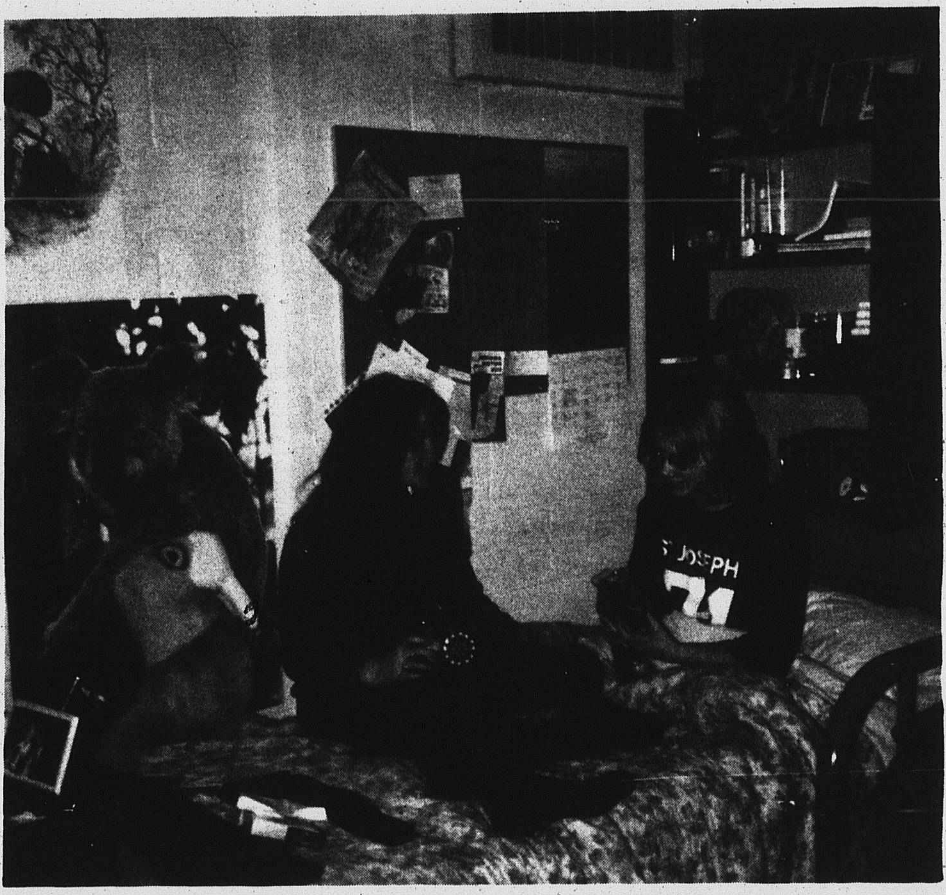
Not all of Mary's time was spent in Madrid. Despite the slowness of the trains, the Americans made journeys both to the south and north of Spain, arriving at one coastal town at 10 p.m. only to see the entire town having a fiesta; the people were dancing and drinking in the streets, attired in white suits, red hats and sashes.

"The country of Spain is beautiful," says Mary, "and there are castles that you can stay in which have been refurnished with original furnishings." She found all of this to be quite romantic, despite the towns that were dusty and crowded. She saw a great difference between France and Spain even though the two countries border one another. The difference in living conditions, "due in part to the Common Market, was apparent as soon as one crossed the border."

At Christmas, Mary and her friends had an automobile and spent Christmas day in Luxembourg with a friend whose father fought in the resistance during World War II. He took them on a tour of the underground hideouts and later they all enjoyed themselves "bar-hopping" to the different beer gardens and wine cellars.

New Year's Eve found Mary and her friends in Trafalgar Square, London, celebrating the ushering in of the New Year when Mary fell and cut her hand badly enough to attract the attention of a "bobby" (an English policeman). She was taken to a London hospital, "a trip that could be disastrous in the United States, but was paid for by the government of England."

Aside from enabling Mary to obtain a Spanish major from Saint Joe's, the program provided her with "a unique and exciting experience which I'll always remember."



Mary C. Lawdensky (soph.-Jus.), left, shows Deborah Ray (jr.-Jus.) some of the souvenirs she recently brought back from Europe, where she participated in a five-month study program at the University of Madrid, Spain.

As the dateline on the nameplate indicates, this issue of STUFF was published prior to the fire, Feb. 4. Because some of its content had become obsolete after the week-long dismissal of school following the fire, distribution of this issue was delayed until today so that necessary changes could be made.

The next date of distribution will be Monday, Feb. 26.

—editor

IM Tournaments . . . .

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races (50, 100, and 200 yards). There will also be three relays consisting of two medley (200 and 400 yards) and one free-style (200 yards).

With three weeks left to go in IM bowling, the East Seifert Rat Pack holds a slim one-point lead (18 points) over the second-place Gallagher Keglers (17). Tied for third place with 15 points are the Gallagher Dukes and the East Seifert Spades. The Drexel Foxes (14) and Halas Putangs (13 points) hold the fourth and fifth spots respectively.

In the Women's Recreation Association basketball standings last week, the league's six teams finished their seasons with the following results: the Meatty-Beatty, Big and Bouncy (freshmen) clinched first place with a final 10-0 record. Second place fell to the Senior Specials (7-3), followed by the Sophomore Foul Shots (6-4), and the junior J.B.'s (4-6). The Roadrunners (3-7) and the Nutcrackers (0-10) finished in the fifth and sixth spots respectively.

Last Monday night's action saw the Meatty-Beatty, Big and Bouncy beat the All-Stars 22-13 in the final game of the season. After the contest, the Most Valuable Player award was presented to Mary Lou Vorst (soph.). Also there to receive certificate awards were Marcel Fortman, who logged her second 50 miles in the Run For Your Life Club, and Kelly West, who completed her first 50 miles.

Mrs. Weinert, director of the WRA, announced last week the newly organized Joe's Girls Club. Similar to a pep club, this group will add, according to Mrs. Weinert "an athletic and social spirit" to Saint Joe's. Consisting of 40 members, the club hopes to have the Student Association sponsor a party it has planned immediately following the Valpo basketball game Feb. 10.

Core Requires Individual Commitment, Interaction

"Education was leisure and privilege to the Greeks" said Dr. Hermes D. Kreilkamp, associate professor of history and philosophy at Saint Joseph's College, in a recent Core discussion. He stressed that a learning experience of leisure and satisfaction is precisely the objective of Core.

In relation to learning in Core, seniors who are part of the Core experimental group and who will be the first to graduate with four years of Core from Saint Joseph's were asked to reflect on this unique undergraduate experience.

Michael S. Healey, a philosophy major from Cherry Hill, N.J., says, "Core has developed interaction among students and teachers that otherwise wouldn't have existed. It is the most sober, sound, and effective method of teaching something that students could care less about and wouldn't listen to in another context," Healey says. "Of course, Core is not ideal, But then neither are the students."

"The idea behind Core is great," says Don Blake, a music major from Chicago, Ill., but he wishes "that it would be carried through to its full potential."

On this same thought, Greg Conrad, a sociology major from Cincinnati, says the Core learning experience "depends on the individuals and the professors and how much time they put in to it."

Mark Hagert, a finance major from Milwaukee, Wis., believes "Core presents interesting and modern material that makes me realize and start thinking about the problems of the world. It gives me an insight into the numerous philosophies throughout the world. Core has also helped me create my own philosophies and not push them upon others as being necessarily right."

Ginny Ontrop, an elementary education major from Coldwater, Ohio, says "You really can get to know people and through this you can apply Core to your life and its goals."

In answer to any doubts that Core lacks the rigor of composition technique and study, Mike Pettee, a mathematics major from Toledo, Ohio, explains "Core provides professors from a variety of fields to make sure that every aspect is covered—including composition, science, philosophy, and so forth. It is up to the student to choose the variety of profs so as to get a well-rounded learning experience."

Banet Forecasts

Fire Opens Curtain On Better Future

By LIZ MC GINNITY

"There is no way to personally or institutionally thank the students who literally saved the operation of the college," emphasized Fr. Charles Banet, college president, at the community convocation Monday night.

Addressing an assembly of students and faculty in the field-house, Banet discussed the insurance coverage on the demolished building, salvage operations, financial aid, and future plans for rebuilding Saint Joseph's campus.

"Thanks to the students, 100 percent of the files in my office, admission records, and the registrar's active records have been saved," stated Banet. "You've kept us in business."

Banet stated that the school suffered a total loss of the structure and contents, and that insurance coverage for the damage amounts to "a little over a million dollars." Cost for replacing the 68,000 square feet of building space is approximately two million dollars. Banet cited several sources of financial assistance available to the college.

With the help of Senators Vance Hartke and Birch Bayh of Indiana, SJC was able to obtain an undated loan-aid application from the Office of Education, despite the fact that the deadline date for such applications has already passed.

"If the federal government will support our application for the loan, we can begin plans for rebuilding immediately, and by September, 1974, the new campus will be completed," Banet announced. Banet pointed out that the government aid would not entail any commitment on the part of the college. "We are asking for 68,000 square feet of space and we will have no site or building limitations."

Financial aid in the form of grants from foundations and organizations was cited as a further source of assistance. Banet also mentioned plans to implement a fund-raising drive in future weeks.

With regard to salvage operations, Banet reported that student and faculty volunteers will be permitted to work in the damaged building after the exterior walls have been razed. Efforts will be made to save the statues on the front of the building, and to retrieve any faculty files buried in the basement. Trucks and salvaging equipment will be provided by the National Guard.

Banet expressed an optimistic view about the coming months and ultimately the future of Saint Joe's. "Something like this, a crisis, as paradoxical as it seems, provides a chance to open the curtain on a new and better future for the college and the students."